

HOUSE RESOLUTION 30
By Lynn

A RESOLUTION to recognize Jeff Graves on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young people with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout, and Jeff Graves, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, the son of David and Brenda Graves and grandson of Mrs. Joan Rogers and Mrs. NeWilda Graves, Jeff is a student at Wilson Central High School, where he has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader among his peers; and

WHEREAS, involved in Scouting since 1994, Jeff Graves' notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 254 includes many Merit Badges and distinguished service as Assistant Patrol Leader and Patrol Leader; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Graves has been actively involved with troop volunteer projects (Scouting for Food, Bell South Senior Classic, and Bear Waller Gap trail maintenance) and fundraising projects (annual pancake sausage supper and annual rummage sales); and

WHEREAS, Jeff Graves has also worked at the Boy Scout Boxwell Reservation Summer Camp as dining hall steward and assistant dining hall steward for the past two summers and intends to return this summer; and

WHEREAS, Jeff's Eagle project- building, mounting, and setting bluebird nesting boxes at Shelby Bottoms Greenway & Nature Park, Phase II- greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of Volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, as studious as he is service-oriented, Jeff Graves is in the top 25% of his class, is taking 3 college classes this semester, and plans to attend Tennessee Technical University this fall; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Jeff Graves as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby applaud and honor Jeff Graves on becoming an Eagle Scout and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.